



City of St. Charles
ILLINOIS

Proclamation

World Polio Day October 24, 2018

- WHEREAS,** the St. Charles Breakfast Rotary Club and the St. Charles Noon Rotary Club are members of Rotary International, the world's first, and still one of its largest, non-profit service organizations, founded in Chicago, Illinois, in 1905; and
- WHEREAS,** the Rotary motto "Service Above Self" inspires members to provide humanitarian service, encourage high ethical standards, and promote good will and peace in the world; and
- WHEREAS,** Rotary in 1985 launched PolioPlus and spearheaded the Global Polio Eradication Initiative, which today includes the World Health Organization, U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, UNICEF and the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, to immunize all the children of the world against polio; and
- WHEREAS,** polio cases have dropped by over 99.9 percent since 1988, and the world now stands on the threshold of eradicating this dread disease and thereby eliminating the threat of polio-caused paralysis to every child in the world; and
- WHEREAS,** members of the St. Charles Breakfast Rotary Club and the St. Charles Noon Rotary Club continue to contribute their time and their resources to support PolioPlus and the Global Polio Eradication Initiative; and
- WHEREAS,** their efforts are providing much needed operational support, medical personnel, laboratory equipment and educational materials for health workers and parents;

THEREFORE, I, Raymond Rogina, Mayor of the City of St. Charles do hereby proclaim October 24, 2018, as **World Polio Day** in the City of St. Charles, and do hereby encourage all residents to join the Rotarians of our local clubs in the fight for a polio-free world.



SEAL:

Raymond P. Rogina, Mayor